

April 14, 1980

Dear Roger:

It was a pleasure to meet you and to
lighten one of your boxes a wee bit at
EAC '80.

I recently bought a coin of interest and
am taking the liberty of sending it to
you for attribution. Now, I'm a simple
date collector, and the coin sure looked
sort of like 1804 C-9, late state. But...
it just didn't look "right," especially
the obverse break. And, gee, isn't that
4 a bit low and close to the 0? And that
sure ain't reverse E!

So, I bought the coin for twice its worth
as a type coin so I could take it home
for study. Glad I did. Possibilities:

- ① 1. 1804, C-2, terminal state or...
2. New variety, or...
3. Shlocky C-9, and I better go back to
collecting Lincoln pennies.

Notes on obverse:

1. Break extends to E but does not reach
right branch of Y
2. Break from crosslet of 4, thru dapery,
then (unlike Gilbert's description of
G-5) curving near and nearly concentric
to border until joining border at fore-
head height.
3. Despite the above advanced cracks, no
trace of crack thru middles of Liberty.
4. Coin is worn, but 4 looks low and close
to 0.
5. 'R' farther from 'T' than your obv. 3,
and has heavy "club" foot.

Notes on reverse:

1. Bottom right foot of F in Half is defective and faint, but may be caused by wear.
2. 'A' close to ribbon but does not "nearly touch."
3. O's do nearly touch.
4. Consider position of T in Cent:
 - a. On my coin it is close to berry-- on rx E, distant.
 - b. My coin: Right edge of right ceriph points to or a hair to the right of leaf point. On rx E, points clearly to left.
5. Consider position of lower leaf in third from the bottom pair on outside right of the wreath:
 - a. My coin: points to bottom angle of 'M' Rev. E points left.
 - b. My coin: point of leaf under left edge of right down stroke of M.
 - . Rx. E: point of leaf clearly to left of down stroke of M.

6. No break above 'R'.
The details listed in 4 and 5 are not mentioned in your book nor Gilbert's for your rx A and 3, but may be helpful in distinguishing these two very similar (at least to me!) reverses. These descriptions of my coin appear to match the plates I've seen of your rx A.

In short, I think I have a well worn C-2. What do you think? Grade? Help!

I'm enclosing a check for return postage and insurance.

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MESSAGE

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DATE

5/30/80

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Encl^{is}ed is June 1804 #2 - Check

from Betty Mae Reed

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SIGNED

May 7, 1980

Dear Roger:

There have been a few new events out here since we last talked.

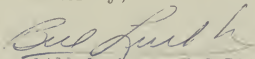
First, I recently ran across a rare bust dollar variety, the 1800 Bolender 11. Could you provide Jules Reiver's address? I understand he's well informed on bust dollars, and perhaps he could provide more up-to-date information on this variety.

Second, I just bought a date set of regular issue half cents (no '96 or '31, darn!), nearly all in low grade and common varieties. The set did yield a nice mint state 1805 C-1, though. One coin may be of interest to you. It's a 1793 C-3 that is a nice VG8 for wear but somewhat porous. It has a large, deep counterstamp on the bust and cap: "R.C". The coin would make a nice conversation piece or cover plate coin for your book. You could even claim to have gone Homer Downing's yellow a step better in coin identification! Of course, I paid too much for the set and, by extension, this coin, but if you're interested I can send it for your approval @ \$25.00.

Third, have you made any decision on my 1804 C-2? While I'm still in no hurry to sell or trade it, a couple of Midwest half cent nuts have expressed interest in seeing the coin. I told them I'd try to bring it to a show in Chicago at the end of the month unless you and I reach an agreement beforehand.

I hope you're finding a chance to relax a little with the passing of the tax season and I'll look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely;



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Dear Bill:

Your letter of 5/7 has questions I'll try

1. Jules Reiver 1805 Forrest Dr
Wilmington Delaware.

2. While the R.C. Chitauk on a 93 are
of interest and I could not do anything on Cani
identification this going to have to pass as I do
have another one with the R.C. Stamp. I
think it stands for ROYAL CROWN ~~or~~ or
what ever. I do have one stamped B.S.
which would describe a lot of life today.

3. Enclosed is Proposed Trade for the 1804
I think you will agree that 1802's in
this condition are few + far between. The
finest known is an EF-40 followed by 6 or
7 in the VF 20-30 range You might also
note that at the EF-40 another a Plate can from
my book (1797 #3a) brought 800-

Sincerely
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June 16, 1980

Dear Roger;

I hope the tax season has passed and that you now have a little time for half cents. To wit:

Last week I was in New York and paid a last minute visit to Joe Rose at Harmer-Rooke. After conducting a little business we were chatting about early copper and Joe said he just received an auction consignment of a "very significant" half cent collection. Now, I had about 10 minutes to kill before leaving for the airport but when Joe asked if I'd like to take a look at the coins I replied, "Sure" as visions of Showers and Erobston shot through my mind.

Imagine my disappointment when he brought out a Whitsan or Library of Coins album! But, inside was a nearly complete Red Book set! Right away I glommed on the 1794- a lovely thick tresses variety that may make XF. Turned it over and...12 berries! Needless to say, I spent very little of my allotted time to the rest of the set, but it may have 1802 C-1 (there are reverse defects which prevent instant attribution) and the 1800 should brush out to LS65.

There are surely other goodies as I think all spaces for 1805 and 1806 were filled. Also, there are many high grade early dates though some have been whizzed. I sure wish I had a little more time!

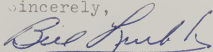
Joe indicated he wants to do a good job of cataloguing this collection. To this end he needs current rarity scales and condition censuses. While I can help him slightly on this, I think the collection is important enough (1794 C-7, 1802 C-1, 1800 MS) to interest you.

Would you be kind enough to send Joe any data on rarities and condition census? If your business ever takes to New York you might consider looking these coins over. I hope to examine them at some length in early July and I hope I can give you more details then.

I hope you can help Joe out. He seems sincerely concerned about cataloguing these coins properly. Obviously, any help you can render could well serve any collectors interested in bidding as well.

There's an outside chance that I can make the EAC regional in July. Hope to see you there.

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